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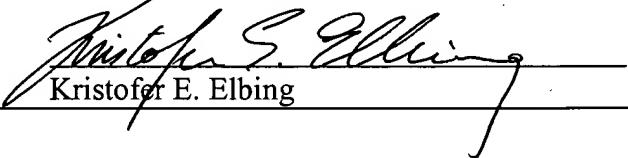
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: E. Neil Lewis et al.
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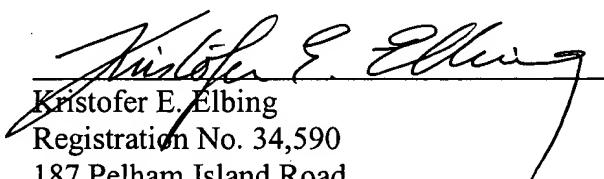
PETITION FOR THREE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

A three-month extension of time, to and including April 23, 2004, is requested for response to the Office Action mailed October 23, 2003.

The check enclosed includes the fee of \$475.00 for the extension. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0750.

Respectfully submitted,

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